VOLUNTARY NON-SAFETY-RELATED RECALL OF SPECIFIC LOTS OF NASAL SPRAY VACCINE FOR 2009 H1N1 INFLUENZA

On December 22, 2009 MedImmune announced that it is voluntarily recalling unused doses of 13 ***specific lots*** of Influenza A (H1N1) 2009 Monovalent Vaccine Live, Intranasal due to a slight decrease in potency. The slight decrease in potency should not affect how the vaccine works.

There are no safety concerns with these lots of H1N1 vaccine.

There is no need to re-administer a dose to those who received vaccine from these lots.

Parents of children who received vaccine from the recalled lots do not need to take any special actions. As is recommended for all 2009 H1N1 vaccines, all children 9 years of age and younger should get the recommended two doses of H1N1 vaccine approximately a month apart for the optimal immune response. Children less than 10 years old who have only received one dose of the nasal spray vaccine thus far should still receive a second dose of 2009 H1N1 nasal spray vaccine or inactivated 2009 H1N1 vaccine.

MedImmune is sending providers directions for returning any unused vaccine from these lots. Providers who received doses from the recalled lots will receive a letter from the manufacturer, along with directions and prepaid UPS packing labels to return any unused vaccine.

If the county has received doses from these lots which were redistributed to providers, the providers may be directed to call: **1-866-209-9273** to get the UPS prepaid packing labels and packing directions sent directly to them.

Approximately 4.7 million doses in these lots were distributed to providers nationwide. The affected lot numbers are:

- 500754P
- 500751P
- 500756P
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- 500759P
- 500760P
- 500761P
- 500762P
- 500763P
- 500764P
- 500765P
- 500776P

AHDS will be determining how many doses of 2009 H1N1 nasal spray vaccine from the affected lots were distributed to Arizona. The manufacturer's Q&A and letter to the providers.